IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA BILLINGS DIVISION

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY; AVISTA CORPORATION; PACIFICORP; and PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION; TALEN MONTANA, LLC; AUSTIN KNUDSEN, in his official capacity as Attorney General for the State of Montana,

Defendants.

CV 21-47-BLG-SPW

ORDER ADOPTING
MAGISTRATE'S FINDINGS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The United States Magistrate Judge filed Findings and Recommendations on Plaintiffs Portland General Electric Company *et al*'s Motions for Partial Summary Judgment. (Docs. 88 and 102). The Magistrate recommended that both motions be granted. (Doc. 191 at 84).

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), parties are required to file written objections within 14 days of the filing of the Magistrate's Findings and Recommendation. No objections were filed. When neither party objects, this Court reviews the Magistrate's Findings and Recommendation for clear error.

McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc., 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a "definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." United States v. Syrax, 235 F.3d 422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000). After reviewing the Findings and Recommendation, this Court does not find that the Magistrate committed clear error.

IT IS ORDERED that the proposed Findings and Recommendations entered by the United States Magistrate Judge (Doc. 191) are ADOPTED IN FULL.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that: (1) Plaintiffs' Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Regarding their First, Second, and Third Claims for Relief (Doc. 88) is GRANTED; and Plaintiffs' Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Regarding their Fourth and Fifth Claims for Relief (Doc. 102) is GRANTED.

DATED this <u>/8</u> day of October, 2022.

SUSAN P. WATTERS

United States District Judge